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DK written comments on revision 4 of the Commission's proposal for a Regulation on the governance of the energy union

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Specific Comments

(34bis)

Text proposal

Cost-effective deployment of renewable energy is an essential and primary parameter for assessing objective criteria. The cost structure of deploying renewable energy is complex and varies significantly between Member States. It includes not only simply the costs of support schemes, but, inter alia, the connection costs of installations, system backup, providing system security and costs that need to be borne when complying with environmental restrictions. Thus when comparing Member States based on this criterion, all costs related to deployment, whether they are borne by the Member State, final consumers or project developers, should be accounted for.

Justification

The preamble should not assign special weight to any of the objective criteria set forth in Article 5. As point of departure, we consider these to have equal weight.

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Artikel 5

Text proposal

- (a) **any relevant** circumstances affecting renewable energy deployment, such as *inter alia*:
 - (...)
 - (iv) the level of power interconnection between Member States <u>up to level that the European Council in 2014 set as the objective for 2030, which is a 15 pct. increase compared to the 2014 level.</u>

Justification

The governance system should not give a disincentive to invest in interconnections.

Artikel 5

Text proposal

- (b) **any relevant** circumstances affecting renewable energy deployment, such as *inter alia*:
 - (...)
 - (v) early efforts as defined in Article 2(19).
 - (VI) The share of renwable energy in the enery sector

Justification

When member state already has a high share of renewable in the energy sector it will be much more challenging to increase the overall share of renewable energy. This should be taken into consideration when evaluating the contribution.

Article 27(2bis)



Text proposal

In issuing the recommendations in the area of renewable energy, the Commission shall take into consideration ambitious early efforts by Member States to contribute to the Union's 2030 target for renewable energy. The Commission shall also take into consideration renewable energy projects for which a final investment decision has been taken, will become operational in the period 2021-2030 and have a significant impact on a Member State's national contribution, as well as sustantial policy and market developments that will ensure the expansion of national renewable energy deployment.

Justification

If the member state has regulation in place which ensures that the country's countribution to the 2030 target for renwable energy will be implemented before 2030 this should be taken into consideration by the Commission when issuing recommendations. The Commission should also take into consideration if the member state can substantiate that the market will ensure the expansion outlined in the national energy and climate plan.